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interrupted and I said, "Now, wait a minute, Senator, " I said, "On the 14th, September 14th, which was Friday," see, there is where I erred. I was on the beach fishing with Mr. Stevens, I think I said when the much-talked of blue fish was caught by Mr. Applegate. Right away he took the cue, see, that I had made a mistake, see, and he did not question me a great deal further. He did give me some questions, but now my memory don't serve me. Understand, gentlemen, I am for Henry Stevens first time and all the time and I don't want in, as I said before, a lot of words in writing or statements made by me that will confuse me when it comes to cross-question by Simpson because I don't want to fall down. You know when you get on the stand--I never was a witness in my life.

Q Well, we are aiming for the truth, and as I understand it, Mr. Mellinger, you have since talked about these events in 1922 and now are clear in your mind that it was Thursday night the 14th of September 1922, that you saw Mr. Stevens fishing on the beach? A. Absolutely.

Q And that you also saw him throwing nets for mullet?

A I helped him.

Q Throwing his nets for mullets the following morning, the 15th? A. Yes. Four years ago I told Sheriff Grant that they could use my statement of four years ago, which